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Examiner: Jamisue A. Webb Serial No.: 09/680,654

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Title: Apparatus, Systems and Methods

For Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-

Service Parcel Shipping

Management Featuring Shipping

Rate and Delivery Schedule

Comparison For Multiple Carriers

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Reference 8 on the attached Form PTO-1449 (U.S. Application No. 11/123,536; Bilibin et al.) is a co-pending application that is a divisional application of Application Serial Number

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09/684,014, which was filed October 6, 2000, which has been assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed. The Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of Reference 8 are substantially identical to the Brief Description of the Drawings, the Detailed Description of the Invention, and the Illustrative Embodiments sections, and the drawings of the above-referenced application for which this Information Disclosure Statement is filed; a copy of pages 1-3 and 97-100 are provided.

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